

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5-10, 12, 14-19, 21, 23-28, 30, and 32-36 remain in the application and claims 1, 10, 19, and 28 have been amended hereby.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the rejection of claims 1, 3, 5-10, 12, 14-19, 21, 23-28, 30, and 32-36 under 35 USC 103(a), as being unpatentable over Ota in view of Kaye et al.

Features of the present invention are the ability to control a topographical map viewpoint in response to pitch and yaw information entered by a user, and to control a sequential time series display of thumbnail icons in response to the changing topographical map viewpoint, as illustrated in Figs. 16-18 and their corresponding description starting at page 71, line 11 of the present application.

Independent claims 1, 10, 19, and 28 have been amended to emphasize these features of the present invention.

It is respectfully submitted that the combination of Ota and Kaye et al. fails to show or suggest changing a viewpoint of a topographical map in response to pitch and yaw information entered by a user and to change the display of map icons in response to the changing topographical map viewpoint. Ota is silent about the use of topographical maps and the use of pitch and yaw information

entered by a user to control a map of any kind, and Kaye et al. is merely teaching how to create 3D contours from 2D images.

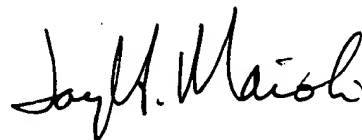
Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that amended independent claims 1, 10, 19, and 28, and the claims depending therefrom, are patentably distinct over Ota in view of Kaye et al.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon has been reviewed and is not seen to show or suggest the present invention as recited in the amended claims.

Entry of this amendment is earnestly solicited, and it is respectfully submitted that the amendments made to the claims hereby raise no new issues requiring further consideration and/or search, because all of the features of this invention have clearly been considered by the examiner in the prosecution of this application and because the present amendments serve only to further define and emphasize the novel features of this invention.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

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